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FROM: Rick P. Summers, Reclamation Hydrologist *RS*

RE: Site tour, Ziegler Chemical Co.'s Gilsonite Mines, ACT  
047/008, ACT 047/012, ACT 047/013, DOE 047/012, DOE  
047/015, Uintah County, Utah.

On August 13, 1985, Division staff members Sue Linner, Dave Cline, Randy Harden, Dave Darby, Jim Leatherwood and myself met with Norm Haslem representing Ziegler Chemical Company at the company offices in Bonanza, Utah. The purpose of the visit was to conduct a site tour of the company's existing Gilsonite operations in the area. Sites toured included ACT 047/008, ACT 047/012, ACT 047/013, DOE 047/012, and DOE 047/015. Additionally, the Company's bag plant and operation were toured. Mine I-5 is currently operating with mine water discharging into a barrel and overflowing without treatment. Mr Haslem stated that NPDES permits have been obtained and he would forward copies of the permits to our office. The Ziegler operations currently consist of 10 headframes on the Bonanza and Little Emma veins. While in the Cottonwood Wash area, we noted an abandoned mine with an open vein. Mr. Haslem stated he would soon have the area fenced if the site was on Ziegler property. If not, the abandoned mine program should be notified of the mine's existence. The area presents a potential safety hazard in the area as the open shaft is located adjacent to a popular road. The sites in general were unkempt, but no environmental harm was occurring. Photographs were taken of each site. At the time, Norm Haslem informed us he was working on consolidating all the operations into a single permit package for the Division.

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